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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 September 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 2, 4-12, 14-19, 22-24, 26, 29-37 and 39 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 2, 4-12, 14-19, 22-24, 26, 29-37 and 39 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment filed 19 September 2008 amends claims 1, 9, 17, and 24. Applicant's amendment has been fully considered and entered.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant argues, "Chang clearly teaches away from any system that would employ a transmitter and receiver in separate packages from each other." This argument is not persuasive because the primary reference Olson clearly teaches the projector and data source being in separate packages (See Figure 2 & 4).
3. Applicant's argument with respect to claim 9 is not persuasive because Olson clearly teaches the projector and data source on different surfaces from each other (See Figure 2 & 4).
4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 17 and 24 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.
5. Applicant's argument with respect to claim 31 is not persuasive because Olson disclosing that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]) meets the claim limitations using a broad but reasonable interpretation of the claim language.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

8. Claims 1, 2, 7-12, 16, 31-34, 39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, and further in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895. Referring to claims 1, 2, Olson discloses a projector (Figure 2, 14) that wirelessly (Figure 2, 32 & [0023]) receives uncompressed data ([0041]) from a portable computer (Figure 4, 56 & 58) for display on a screen (Figure 4, 65), which meets the limitation of a source of multimedia data, means for storing multimedia data, and a displayer of multimedia data mounted in a room in which the source is disposed, the source wirelessly transmitting the multimedia data in an uncompressed form to the displayer on a primary link, the displayer is a projector, the source and displayer not being disposed together in a common package. Olson does not specify using a frequency band of 60 GHz. Chang discloses using rf/microwave signals in the frequency range of 5-105 GHz with bandwidths of 5-20 GHz that provide a minimum data rate of 5-40 Gbps ([0024] & [0043]), which meets the limitation of a primary link at approximately sixty GigaHertz (60GHz), wherein the primary link has a data rate of at least two Giga bits per second (2.0 Gbps) and the primary link has a bandwidth of approximately 2.5 GHz. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the

uncompressed data of Olson using rf/microwave signals of Chang in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using a high frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32), which would have allowed for faster transmission of the uncompressed data of Olson.

Referring to claim 7, Olson discloses that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]), which meets the limitation of control signals are sent between the source and displayer, at least some control signals being useful for establishing a source antenna beam control.

Referring to claim 8, Olson does not specify that the data transmitted is high definition multimedia data. Nesic discloses utilizing microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems at the frequency band of 59-64 GHz for short range high data rate communication for HD video transmissions and TV distribution systems (Col. 1, lines 11-32), which meets the limitation of the data is high definition multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit high definition uncompressed data in Olson using 60GHz frequency band in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using the 60 GHz frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32).

Referring to claims 9, 11, 12, Olson discloses a projector (Figure 2, 14) that wirelessly (Figure 2, 32 & [0023]) receives uncompressed data ([0041]) from a portable computer (Figure 4, 56 & 58) for display on a screen (Figure 4, 65), which meets the limitation disposing a multimedia transmitter and a multimedia receiver in a room on different surfaces from each other, establishing a wireless link between the transmitter and receiver, wirelessly transmitting a multimedia signal on a link from the transmitter to the receiver. Olson does not specify using a frequency sufficiently high that the signal substantially cannot be received outside the room.

Chang discloses using rf/microwave signals in the frequency range of 5-105 GHz with bandwidths of 5-20 GHz that provide a minimum data rate of 5-40 Gbps ([0024] & [0043]), which meets the limitation of a frequency sufficiently high that the signal substantially cannot be received outside the room, the frequency is approximately sixty GigaHertz (60 GHz), the link has a data rate of at least two Giga bits per second (2.0 Gbps). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the uncompressed data of Olson using rf/microwave signals of Chang in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using a high frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32), which would have allowed for faster transmission of the uncompressed data of Olson.

Referring to claim 10, Olson does not specify that the data transmitted is high definition multimedia data. Nesic discloses utilizing microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems at the frequency band of 59-64 GHz for short range high data rate communication for HD video transmissions and TV distribution systems (Col. 1, lines 11-32), which meets the limitation of the data is high definition multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit high definition uncompressed data in Olson using 60GHz frequency band in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using the 60 GHz frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32).

Referring to claim 16, Olson discloses that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]), which meets the limitation of control signals are sent between the source and displayer, at least some control signals being useful for establishing a source antenna beam control.

Referring to claims 31, 34, Olson discloses a projector (Figure 2, 14) that wirelessly (Figure 2, 32 & [0023]) receives uncompressed data ([0041]) from a portable computer (Figure 4, 56 & 58) for display on a screen (Figure 4, 65), which meets the limitation of a source of multimedia data, a display for the multimedia data, the source wirelessly transmitting the multimedia data in an uncompressed form to the display on a primary link. Olson discloses that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]), which meets the limitation of control signals are sent between the source and display, at least some control signals being useful for establishing a source antenna beam control. Olson does not specify using a frequency band of 60 GHz. Chang discloses using rf/microwave signals in the frequency range of 5-105 GHz with bandwidths of 5-20 GHz that provide a minimum data rate of 5-40 Gbps ([0024] & [0043]), which meets the limitation of a primary link at approximately sixty GigaHertz (60GHz), wherein the primary link has a data rate of at least two and a half Giga bits per second (2.0 Gbps). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the uncompressed data of Olson using rf/microwave signals of Chang in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using a high frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32), which would have allowed for faster transmission of the uncompressed data of Olson.

Referring to claims 32, 39, Olson does not specify that the data transmitted is high definition multimedia data. Nesic discloses utilizing microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems at the frequency band of 59-64 GHz for short range high data rate communication for HD video transmissions and TV distribution systems (Col. 1, lines 11-32), which meets the limitation of the source of multimedia data is a set-top box like device capable

of decoding compressed multimedia content as received from at least one of satellite, cable, terrestrial broadcast, internet streaming, the data is high definition multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit high definition uncompressed data in Olson using 60GHz frequency band in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using the 60 GHz frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32).

Referring to claim 33, Olson discloses utilizing LCDs ([0017]), which meets the limitation of the display is a liquid crystal display (LCD).

9. Claims 4, 35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, and further in view of Rao, U.S. Patent No. 5,881,074. Referring to claims 4, 35, Chang does not specify whether the link is full or half duplex.

However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to implement the link in full-duplex in order to take advantage of the full bandwidth as taught in Rao (Col. 2, lines 9-12), which would benefit the uncompressed data transmissions of Olson.

10. Claims 5, 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, and in further view of Edenson, U.S. Patent No. 7,006,995. Referring to claims 5, 36, Olson does not disclose the uncompressed data being encrypted prior to being received by the projector. Edenson discloses a projector receiving encrypted data and a decryption key together (Col. 3, line 61 - Col. 4, line 2 & Col. 8, lines 28-31), which meets the

limitation of encryption keys are multiplexed with the multimedia data on the primary link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made for the uncompressed data of Olson to be encrypted prior to being transmitted to the projector in order to render the data virtually useless if intercepted by an unauthorized party as taught by Edenson (Col. 3, line 66 – Col. 4, line 2).

11. Claims 6, 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, and further in view of Tehrani, U.S. Patent No. 7,242,772. Referring to claims 6, 37, Olson does not disclose the uncompressed data being encrypted prior to being received by the projector. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to encrypt the uncompressed data being received by the projector in order to protection from data piracy of digital contents as taught by Tehrani (Col. 1, line 25 - Col. 2, line 3). Tehrani discloses that the encrypted data is transmitted over a wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 32 & Col. 7, lines 53-66), which could be a microwave wireless channel (Col. 7, line 66), and that the decryption key for the data is transmitted over a separate wireless channel with a lower data rate than the wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 34 & Col. 8, lines 7-23), which meets the limitation of the display and source further communicate encryption keys on a secondary link having a data rate lower than the data rate of the primary link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the decryption keys over a separate wireless channel having a data rate lower than the data rate of the wireless channel that transmits the encrypted data in order to provide increased security by preventing anyone who can access

the data transmission channel from accessing the encrypted data as well as the information needed for decryption (Tehranchi: Col. 3, lines 25-56). Providing the decryption key over a channel having a lower data rate than the data rate of the wireless channel that transmits the encrypted data is preferable since key transmission channel will only need to transfer data on the order of a few Kbytes as opposed to the data transmission channel, which requires a relatively high bandwidth transmission channel (Tehranchi: Col. 8, lines 17-23).

12. Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nestic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, and further in view of Edenson, U.S. Patent No. 7,006,995. Referring to claim 14, Olson does not disclose the uncompressed data being encrypted prior to being received by the projector. Edenson discloses a projector receiving encrypted data and a decryption key together (Col. 3, line 61 - Col. 4, line 2 & Col. 8, lines 28-31), which meets the limitation of encryption keys are multiplexed with the multimedia data on the primary link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made for the uncompressed data of Olson to be encrypted prior to being transmitted to the projector in order to render the data virtually useless if intercepted by an unauthorized party as taught by Edenson (Col. 3, line 66 - Col. 4, line 2).

13. Claim 15 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nestic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895 and further in view of Tehranchi, U.S. Patent No. 7,242,772. Referring to claim 15, Olson does not disclose the uncompressed data being encrypted prior to being received by the projector. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at

the time the invention was made to encrypt the uncompressed data being received by the projector in order to protection from data piracy of digital contents as taught by Tehranchi (Col. 1, line 25 - Col. 2, line 3). Tehranchi discloses that the encrypted data is transmitted over a wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 32 & Col. 7, lines 53-66), which could be a microwave wireless channel (Col. 7, line 66), and that the decryption key for the data is transmitted over a separate wireless channel with a lower data rate than the wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 34 & Col. 8, lines 7-23), which meets the limitation of encryption keys are communicated between the transmitter and receiver on a secondary link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the decryption keys over a separate wireless channel in order to provide increased security by preventing anyone who can access the data transmission channel from accessing the encrypted data as well as the information needed for decryption (Tehranchi: Col. 3, lines 25-56).

14. Claims 17-18, 22-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, and in further view of Yanagihara, U.S. Patent No. 5,712,946. Referring to claims 17-18, 23, Olson discloses a projector (Figure 2, 14) that wirelessly (Figure 2, 32 & [0023]) receives uncompressed data ([0041]) from a portable computer (Figure 4, 56 & 58) for display on a screen (Figure 4, 65), which meets the limitation of means for storing multimedia data, means for wirelessly transmitting, to a receiver, the multimedia data in uncompressed form on a link, the multimedia data is transmitted from the computer to the receiver on a primary link. Olson does not specify using a frequency band of 60 GHz. Nesic discloses utilizing microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems at the frequency band of 59-64 GHz for short range

high data rate communication for HD video transmissions and TV distribution systems (Col. 1, lines 11-32), which meets the limitation of a link having a frequency of approximately sixty GigaHertz (60 GHz) such that unless the receiver is in the same room as the computer it substantially cannot receive the multimedia data, the multimedia data is high definition (HD) multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the uncompressed data of Olson using 60GHz frequency band in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using the 60 GHz frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32), which would have allowed for faster transmission of the uncompressed data of Olson. Olson does not disclose multiplexing capability signals with the uncompressed data. Yanagihara discloses a video distribution system wherein trick play data is multiplexed with video signals (Col. 13, lines 1-8), which meets the limitation of capability signals are multiplexed with the multimedia data on the link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made for the uncompressed data of Olson to be multiplexed with trick play data in order to allow for varying speed reproduction as taught by Yanagihara (Col. 13, lines 1-8).

Referring to claim 22, Olson discloses that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]), which meets the limitation of control signals are sent between the source and displayer, at least some control signals being useful for establishing a source antenna beam control.

15. Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, in view of Edenson, U.S. Patent No. 7,006,995, and further in view of Rao, U.S. Patent No. 5,881,074. Referring to

claim 19, Nesic does not specify whether the link is full or half duplex. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to implement the link in full-duplex in order to take advantage of the full bandwidth as taught in Rao (Col. 2, lines 9-12), which would benefit the uncompressed data transmissions of Olson.

16. Claims 24, 29, 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson, U.S. Publication No. 2003/0117587, in view of Chang, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0183003, in view of Nesic, U.S. Patent No. 6,593,895, in view of Tehranchi, U.S. Patent No. 7,242,772, and further in view of Yanagihara, U.S. Patent No. 5,712,946. Referring to claims 24, Olson discloses a projector (Figure 2, 14) that wirelessly (Figure 2, 32 & [0023]) receives uncompressed data ([0041]) from a portable computer (Figure 4, 56 & 58) for display on a screen (Figure 4, 65), which meets the limitation of means for storing multimedia data, means for wirelessly receiving, from a transmitter, the multimedia data in uncompressed form on a primary link. Olson does not specify using a frequency band of 60 GHz. Chang discloses using rf/microwave signals in the frequency range of 5-105 GHz with bandwidths of 5-20 GHz that provide a minimum data rate of 5-40 Gbps ([0024] & [0043]), which meets the limitation of a primary link at approximately sixty GigaHertz (60GHz), wherein the primary link has a data rate of at least two and two tenths Giga bits per second (2.0 Gbps), such that unless the transmitter is in the same room as the multimedia player the multimedia player substantially cannot receive the multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the uncompressed data of Olson using rf/microwave signals of Chang in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using a high frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32), which would have allowed for faster transmission of

the uncompressed data of Olson. Tehranchi discloses that the encrypted data is transmitted over a wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 32 & Col. 7, lines 53-66), which could be a microwave wireless channel (Col. 7, line 66), and that the decryption key for the data is transmitted over a separate wireless channel with a lower data rate than the wireless data transmission channel (Figure 1, 34 & Col. 8, lines 7-23), which meets the limitation of the displayer and source further communicate encryption keys on a secondary link having a data rate lower than the data rate of the primary link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit the decryption keys over a separate wireless channel having a data rate lower than the data rate of the wireless channel that transmits the encrypted data in order to provide increased security by preventing anyone who can access the data transmission channel from accessing the encrypted data as well as the information needed for decryption (Tehranchi: Col. 3, lines 25-56). Providing the decryption key over a channel having a lower data rate than the data rate of the wireless channel that transmits the encrypted data is preferable since key transmission channel will only need to transfer data on the order of a few Kbytes as opposed to the data transmission channel, which requires a relatively high bandwidth transmission channel (Tehranchi: Col. 8, lines 17-23). Tehranchi does not disclose including trick play data with the decryption keys. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to include trick play data with the decryption keys in Tehranchi in order to allow for varying speed reproduction as taught by Yanagihara (Col. 13, lines 1-8).

Referring to claim 29, Olson discloses that the computer user can utilize a remote control to the control what the computer transmits to the projector ([0046]), which meets the limitation

of control signals are sent between the source and displayer, at least some control signals being useful for establishing a source antenna beam control.

Referring to claim 30, Olson does not specify that the data transmitted is high definition multimedia data. Nesic discloses utilizing microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems at the frequency band of 59-64 GHz for short range high data rate communication for HD video transmissions and TV distribution systems (Col. 1, lines 11-32), which meets the limitation of the data is high definition multimedia data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to transmit high definition uncompressed data in Olson using 60GHz frequency band in order to take advantage of the high data rate communications possible using the 60 GHz frequency band (Nesic: Col. 1, lines 11-32).

Conclusion

17. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

18. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BENJAMIN E. LANIER whose telephone number is (571)272-3805. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 6:00am-4:30pm.

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